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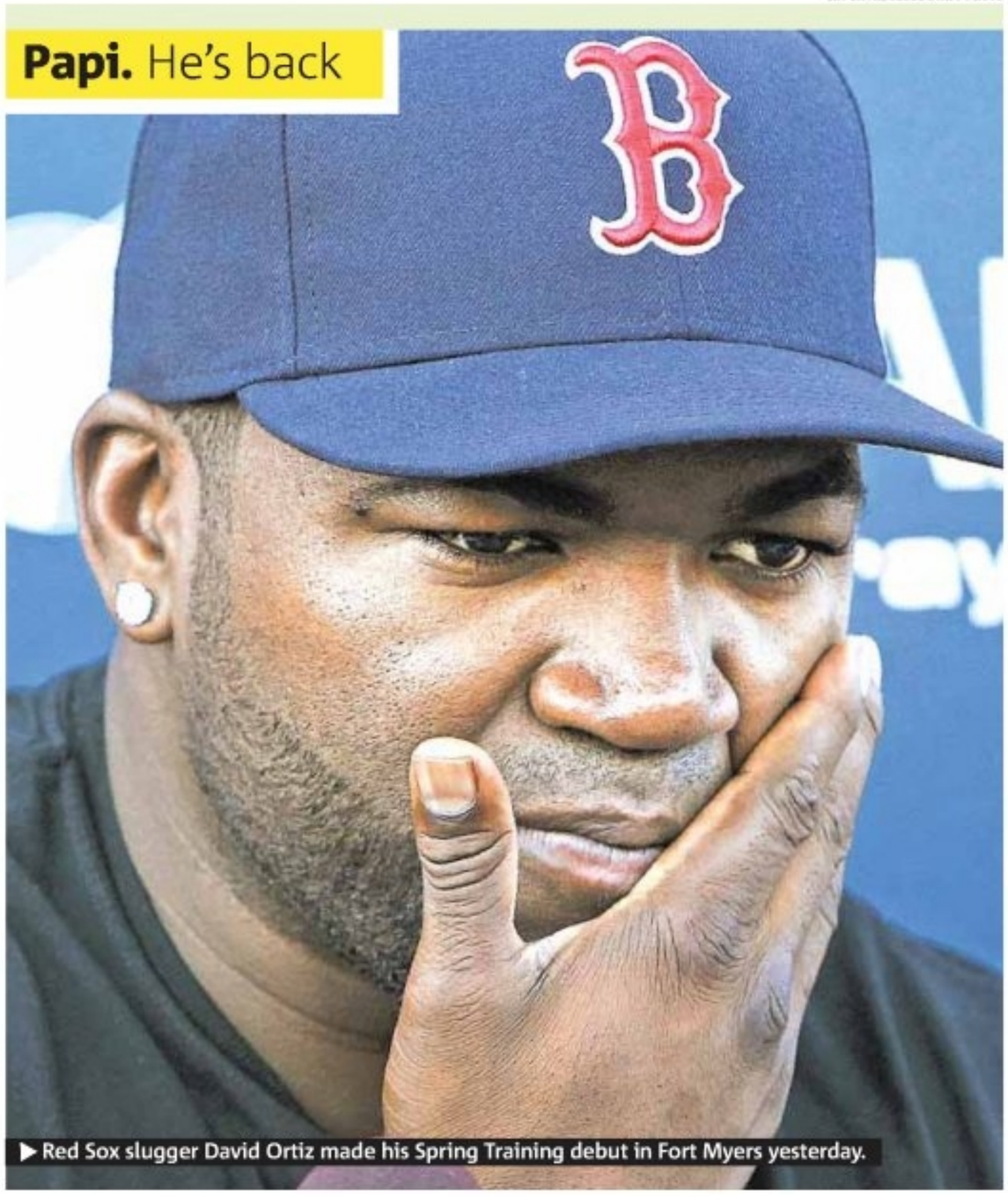

▶ Red Sox slugger David Ortiz made his Spring Training debut in Fort Myers yesterday.

At times this offseason it seemed Red Sox fan favorite David Ortiz might not be back in Boston. But Ortiz arrived yesterday in Fort Myers with his trademark grin — and bling. He talked with the media about turning the page from the controversy surrounding clubhouse behavior last season and how his agents told him to take his earrings off before his arbitration hearing. ● METRO

Report finds MBTA is being taken for a 'RIDE'

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In the news

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Accounting for 40 percent of all civil and criminal health care fraud recoveries nationwide, U.S. Attorney Carmen Ortiz announced yesterday that her office recovered $1.67 billion in fiscal 2011. The cases in the District of Massachusetts include a $600 million settlement with GlaxoSmithKline to resolve False Claims Act allegations related to the company's manufacturing and distribution of "adulterated drugs" made at a facility in Puerto Rico. SHNS

Today's local tweet

"Someone is literally speaking kling-ong [sic] (star wars lingo) on the red line. #mbta"

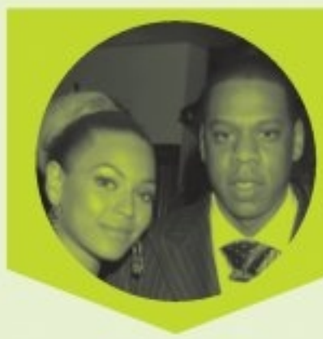
@MJALLLLDAY OVERHEARING A "TREKKIE" WHILE TREKKING ON THE T YESTERDAY.

Ups and downs

Gov. Deval Patrick
Further solidifying his role in President Barack Obama's re-election campaign, Gov. Deval Patrick will serve as one of 35 national co-chairs of the campaign. Patrick also served as a co-chair in 2008. SHNS

Trade
The Financial District eatery was picked as a James Beard award semifinalist for best new restaurant. Trade co-owner and chef Jody Adams was also nominated as outstanding chef for her work at Rialto in Cambridge.

Paul Panaikas
A bouncer at a Norton bar was charged yesterday with raping a Wheaton College student. Paul Panaikas, 38, of Taunton, is accused of sexually assaulting the girl while she was with friends at the Sportsway Cafe earlier this month.



Jay-Z, Beyonce
A local wedding planner is battling for the trademark on her 3-year-old business with super couple Jay-Z and Beyonce. The owner of Blue Ivy submitted trademarks for her company after learning the couple did the same for their daughter.

Brewer builds buzz, aims to 'give away' shops

PHOTOS BY NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

▶ Boston Brewin' coffee shop owner Tom Barnes at his Bromfield Street shop.

Tucked away on the side streets of Downtown Boston, something is brewing, and if you follow the sound of a bugle echoing through the alleyways, you are likely to find it.

In just 88 days, the man behind the musical instrument, Tom Barnes, has made a name for himself as "Bugle Boy," blowing in to a bronze horn and welcoming people to his new coffee shop "Boston Brewin'" on Bromfield Street.

Barnes, who owns the tiny cafe, has a vision to open 20 more local stores in the future, and give them away one by one to people willing to contribute to the community.

"It's about giving back — you have got to give back," said Barnes, who has a background in business and fundraising.

"I want to build a big family of people that really get it and take care of one another," he said.

Barnes' vision would work like an ecosystem of self-sustaining coffee shops, all relying on each other to pitch in, purchasing products from Barnes once he buys out his coffee bean wholesaler.

"I love it, it's something

"It's about giving back — you have got to give back."
TOM BARNES, SHOP OWNER

the economy needs," said store manager Joy Snow. "Basically, buy the store, pay off the debt, then give the store away and then go onto the next one ... it's like a rotating Ferris wheel."

While Barnes admits it will take time and dedication, his shop has already doubled its sales as customers stop in and are known on a first-name basis.

"This place is the best — the coffee is good, service is really good and Thomas is superfriendly," said Dana Lyford as she grabbed a cup of joe.

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The coffee shop giveaway

If you can prove you have what it takes to run a Boston Brewin' Coffee Company shop, Barnes will give it to you.

Barnes said he wants to create a community of "like-minded individuals who all have faith in Boston and Boston Brewin' Coffee Co." and once his idea gets going, he only expects a commitment to helping others.

"If we open 20 shops that's a big family of people making a big difference in this city. What couldn't we do?," he said.

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Future shops

- Barnes hopes to open a second store by next year
- New stores would offer Wi-Fi, seating and sandwiches

News in brief

Students cross the line at border

BOSTON. About 30 people traveling with the Boston University Ski and Board Club were cited by Vermont State Police on Monday for possessing alcohol or drugs. A Boston University spokesman said the school is investigating a group of its students who were cited, according to the Globe.

The group was stopped at a border crossing while returning from a trip to Quebec. Three people were cited for marijuana possession and one for possession of Ecstasy. GLOBE

Cops bust alleged drug store

JAMAICA PLAIN. Four people were arrested on drug charges Tuesday after police executed a search of a Jamaica Plain convenience store.

Police said they obtained a search warrant for D&R Supermarket on Hyde Park Avenue. There they allegedly found heroin, Oxycodone pills and $10,000 in cash.

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Coakley, AGs take on Google

MASSACHUSETTS. Attorney General Martha Coakley and 35 other attorneys general signs a letter to Google's chief executive to voice their concern over the company's new privacy policy, which takes effect March 1.

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Officials probe MIT student's death

CAMBRIDGE. An MIT student was found dead in his dorm this week, the third undergrad death this school year.

Brian G. Anderson, 21, of Redwood Falls, Minn., was found deceased in his room around noon Monday, according to a statement from the university.

State Police are investigating, but believe there is no imminent danger to the MIT community. The other two deaths were suicides, but school officials do not believe Anderson's death was a suicide. METRO

BC fights ruling on IRA documents

BOSTON. Boston College is fighting a court order that it relinquish transcripts from taped interviews with IRA members to British law enforcement investigating the death of a suspected British informant, according to The Boston Globe.

The transcripts are from the Belfast Project, an oral history of the Troubles in Northern Ireland. METRO

Cops' case melts away ... literally

SALEM. Authorities in Salem may be out of luck in proving the case of a stolen ice sculpture, according to the Salem News.

The sculpture, the head of a dragon, was locked in a police freezer because two men were found stealing it from a store during a festival. However, the freezer broke and the evidence melted. It is unclear at this point how the case will be affected. METRO

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▶ MassDOT Secretary Rich Davey said in a statement yesterday that Sullivan's suggestions are appreciated, and some of the recommendations are on their way to implementation.

Report eyes possible waste of T's RIDE

Massachusetts Inspector General Gregory Sullivan thinks the MBTA's The RIDE program is a fragmented service ripe for fraud and abuse and needs to be fixed.

In a letter sent to T officials this week, Sullivan said his office has been examining the paratransit issue for more than a year, trying to slash high costs and consolidate services.

"The MBTA is in a financial crisis mode. The IG's office thinks there is a potential $60 million or more in annual savings," Sullivan told State House News.

In October, Acting MBTA General Manager Jon Davis said The RIDE was putting a strain on total T resources and "what we have available for all other modes [of transportation]."

The RIDE, which costs the T $122 million annually, and is increasing at 16 percent each year, serves 62 communities with lift-equipped door-to-door vans for elderly and disabled riders.

Sullivan said with the rate at which costs are skyrocketing, the MBTA would have to support a billion-dollar paratransit system in the future - something it certainly can't do.

"[It's] likely an untenable situation given current MBTA funding," Sullivan said.

In his letter to top officials, Sullivan pitched solutions and money-slashing measures to help reassess services.

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The RIDE solutions:

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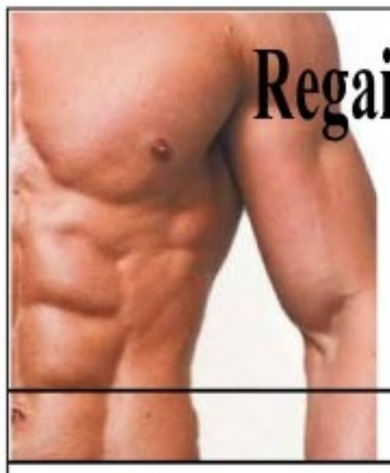

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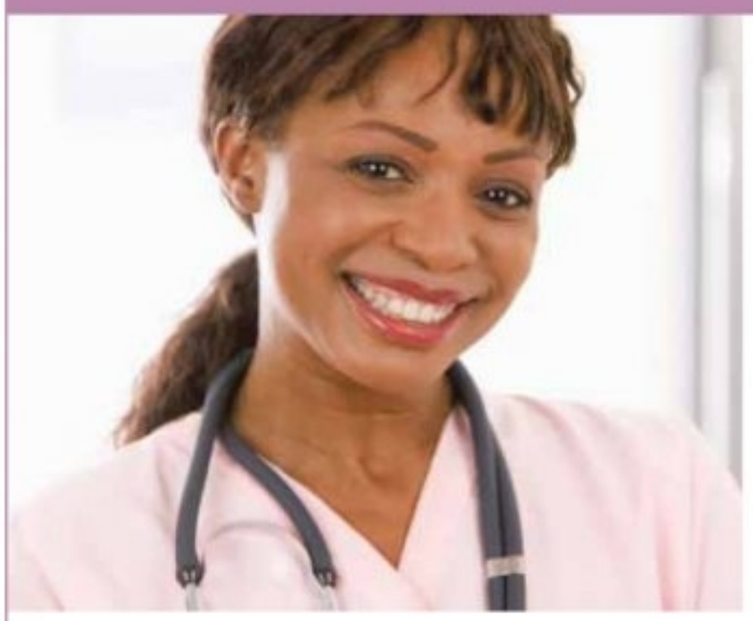

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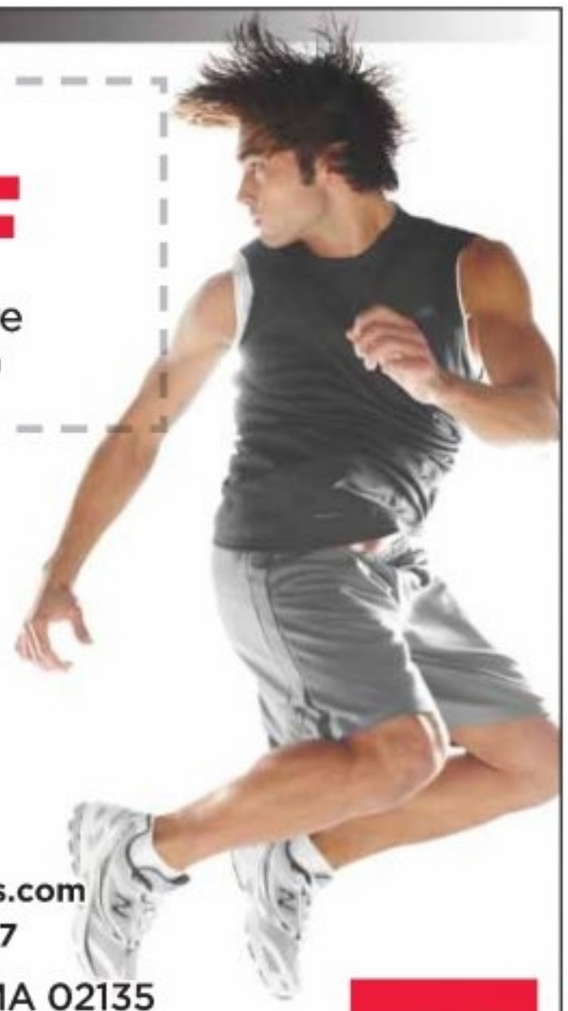

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Seinfeld

Levine's got moves like Jagger

Adam Levine "doesn't want to screw up" his relationship with Russian model girlfriend Anne V.

In an interview on "The Howard Stern Show" on Tuesday, "The Voice" coach **Adam Levine** proved himself to be smart about some topics and not so bright on others.

Stern tried to get Levine to gossip about fellow mentor/judge **Christina Aguilera**'s recent weight gain — "Why do you think she's gotten so heavy? Is she upset?" Stern prodded. "She used to be so f—ing hot ... And her clothes are too tight, right?" the shock jock continued. "When you're a plus-size woman, you can't wear the tight clothes anymore."

Levine responded diplomatically, stating: "I'm keeping my f—ing mouth shut."

Smart of him, right? But then when the topic veered to birth control and what method Levine uses with his Russian model girlfriend, **Anne V.**, the singer actually told the truth. "This is the longest, most functional relationship I've ever been in, I don't want to screw it up," he said. "[I use] a foolproof birth-control system, [the pull-out method]."

Gross. Isn't there a law on the books that says all men in rock 'n' roll bands have to use condoms? It's a severe public health problem if not.

Celeb. Sighting

▶ Can hair be in contempt of court?

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Lohan's life 'back on track'

Lindsay Lohan received a positive report at her probation hearing yesterday in Los Angeles. Lohan completed 15 days of community service at the L.A. County Morgue and attended five therapy sessions as required, Judge Stephanie Sautner said. Sautner told Lohan she has seen a "positive change," adding that it appears the actress is "getting [her] life back on track." The judge refrained from saying anything about that wig, however.

Update on Houston's drug intake

A new report looks to confirm that **Whitney Houston**'s death earlier this month was caused by a mixture of alcohol and prescription drugs, according to Radar Online. "Whitney had taken Valium, Xanax and alcohol, which led to her death. The coroner is waiting on final toxicology results to determine which one of the three was the major contributing factor of her demise," a source says. "The sedatives and alcohol will almost certainly be the cause of death, and not drowning. Her heart stopped beating because her respiratory system was suppressed because of the anti-anxiety meds, and combined with the booze it probably happened very quickly before she was found partially submerged in the bathtub."

Talking points

Aniston: My boyfriend looks like a serial killer

Jennifer Aniston admits that when she first met boyfriend **Justin Theroux**, she didn't immediately fall for him. In fact, she even found him more than a little off-putting. "I met Justin about five years ago and I thought, 'Whoa,'" she says in an interview with "Good Morning America." "He is very sweet and he was always very nice, but I remember thinking he was very dark. At first you think he could be, like, a serial killer, but he is actually the nicest person in the world."

Beckham's boys get wise

David Beckham's three sons are getting older — and therefore a bit more aware of what sorts of things their famous parents do for a living. Like, say, posing in their underwear for H&M. "They gave me a little bit of flack for that, but they're very proud of it," he tells Us Weekly, adding that they'll shout out with glee, "There's daddy in underpants on big billboards!"

Wilson gets attacked on Twitter

"The Office" star **Rainn Wilson** is learning the hard way that some topics don't lend themselves to humor — like date rape. Wilson made a joke on Twitter about what kind of music he'd like playing if he ever were to be a victim of date rape — Led Zeppelin's "Whole Lotta Love," as it happens — which set off a wave of angry responses. "Apparently my poorly conceived date rape tweet upset a lot of folks," Wilson wrote in response. "Not a good topic to joke about. Sorry and won't do that again."

▶ Wilson

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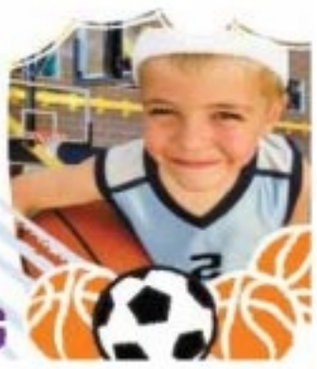

The BRIT Awards 2012 roundup

1. Adele won top accolades for British Female Solo Artist and Mastercard British Album of the Year at the BRIT Awards for music in London on Tuesday. But when the host tried to cut off her speech to introduce Blur, she gave the middle finger in frustration. "I'm sorry if I offended anyone but it was the suits that offended me," Adele said about the incident. "Thank you all very much and thanks to my fans. I don't want them to think I was swearing at them." The station later apologized to Adele.

2. Coldplay kicked off the ceremony with a rousing performance of their song "Charlie Brown." They also took home an award for Best British Group.

3. Damon Albarn and Blur performed renditions of "Parklife," "Girls and Boys," "Song 2," "Tender" and "This Is a Low." Blur was also given an Outstanding Contribution to Music award.

4. Florence Welch of Florence and the Machine performed while wearing a dress by Sarah Burton for Alexander McQueen.

5. Lana Del Ray won the prize for International Breakthrough Act, beating out Bon Iver, Nicki Minaj, Aloe Blacc and Foster the People for the honor.

6. Rihanna, who is on the tail end of a three-day celebration in London in honor of her 24th birthday, showed up on the red carpet. Later, she performed her hit "We Found Love."

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▶ Paul Rudd and Jennifer Aniston, center, star in "Wanderlust."

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Five movies to watch in theaters this weekend

1 'Wanderlust' Paul Rudd and Jennifer Aniston star in this Judd Apatow-produced comedy about an unemployed couple who go in search of an unconventional life on a hippie commune.

2 'Good Deeds' In this movie, the lead character's last name is Deeds! Get it? Tyler Perry writes, directs and stars in this story about a successful man who is jolted out of his predictable existence by doing ... come on. Want to guess? Good deeds!

3 'Gone' Amanda Seyfried plays a woman haunted by the abduction of her sister. She begins to believe the kidnapper is back for her, so sets out to face him head-on.

4 'Act of Valor' Actual, active-duty Navy SEALs star in this depiction of modern special operations. Cutting-edge military technology put viewers in the middle of the action spanning from Chechnya to Somalia.

5 'Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance' The Nicholas Cage franchise about a man afflicted with spirit of the Ghost Rider returns — this time to save a child possessed by the devil. METRO

A change of Heartless

KATHAN PRESLEY

▶ Check out these Heartless Bastards, from left: Jesse Ebagh, Dave Colvin, Erika Wennerstrom and Mark Nathan.

There's only one course of action when you're a band called Heartless Bastards and your album is ready for release in mid-winter. Release it on Valentine's Day. Especially if it's titled "Arrow" — as in Cupid's trademark.

"The title is pure coincidence," insists front gal Erika Wennerstrom. "Our label thought it would be funny to release a Heartless Bastards record on Valentine's Day."

On a personal and personnel level, "Arrow" is the calm after a considerable storm. Wennerstrom's breakup with her bassist/boyfriend was well documented on their third album, "The Mountain," but the "Mountain" touring lineup of drummer Dave Colvin, bassist Jesse Ebagh and guitarist Mark Nathan coalesced while making "Arrow."

"As people, we're a team," says Wennerstrom. "I feel I'm in a good place in my life and have gotten back to who I am. Where the band is at right now is where I've always wanted to be, musically. It took me a while to get there."

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"Arrow" was the first album Wennerstrom had written for the band as a quartet. In many ways, she says it resulted in less pressure: "The songs always had that space, and I attempted to add those additional parts myself. This is the first time we have been able to make use of that space in a cohesive way. On 'The Mountain,' it was studio musicians filling the spaces. I feel like my guitar playing is a bit limited," she adds humbly. "I hear a sound that I'm not always capable of playing, and Mark's able to add to the songs what I don't feel capable of."

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'Always hit on the wingman'

And other bits of dating wisdom from Glamour magazine's anonymous male advice columnist, 'Jake'

Jake has been around the Glamour magazine offices since 1956, doling out advice to single women. No, this is not a dude in his mid-70s still discussing the finer points of a "booty call." Many men have shared his name, and the title lasts only as long as the man giving the advice is still single. One Jake had to hang up his columnist hat recently, but he has continued to share his wisdom with a new book. "Always Hit on the Wingman ... And 9 Other Secret Rules for Getting the Love Life You Want" offers great tips that will help women learn to love the dating game.

This advice about hitting on the friend of the person you're interested in is great, but what about fending off the slightly misled wingman?

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Men say that they love to be hit on, but there's the school of thought that insists that men want to be the ones to chase.

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Q&A

What's the number one thing that women get wrong about men when it comes to dating?

Not taking control; playing the dating "game." If you like a guy, stop reviewing the 150 tips your friends and magazines have given you about "making him like you," and walk over and buy him a drink. What's the worst thing that's going to happen? It takes confidence to do that. Confidence is the sexiest.

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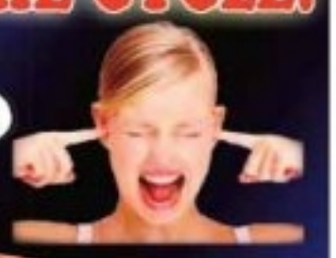

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Virginia, where women's rights die

For both chambers of the General Assembly of Virginia to pass legislation that requires transvaginal ultrasounds of women seeking abortions and cuts state aid to poor women seeking abortions is outrageous! I have a new slogan for the state of Virginia. "Virginia: where women's rights are nonexistent."

ROBERT LA ROSA, VIA E-MAIL

It's a woman's choice (with her husband, family, etc.) to create life — and therefore to not create life, which is not murder, as believers say. As in medicine and much else, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Vasectomies are covered, so all safe birth control should be too.

J. ANDREW SMITH, VIA E-MAIL

Re: 'Read a book — no, another book'

Thank you Michael, for your clear summary of Rick Santorum's twisted views on science. I'm also struck by the duplicitous irony of his arguments centering on humanity's "dominion over the Earth." He claims that it's best that humanity is in charge of the planet because "we're intelligent and we can actually manage things." But when people raise legitimate concerns (driving species to extinction, releasing toxic materials, altering the planet's climate, etc.) regarding those management skills, he then dismissively labels them as Earth-worshippers. If we have people running the government who can't distinguish between what they'd like the world to be and what is actually going on, then how are any of our problems going to get solved? With lots of aspirin, perhaps?

KARL HUFFMAN, BOSTON

"Rick Santorum accused President Obama of holding a 'phony theology' that places the environment over humans."

Somehow, it is insincere to the point of pretension to believe that our planet needs to be protected. Santorum may not intend to pillage the Earth of its bounty, but I am dismayed that he chooses to characterize the beliefs of those who do care about the planet and the possible negative effects human activity has upon it as phony.

DAVID TERHUNE, VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Frosch misses one small point in his otherwise excellent column, namely how Santorum's own words prove him a hypocrite. If, as he claims, humanity was put on this Earth as its steward, that gives us a God-given obligation to care for and maintain it. Santorum rejects such an obligation and seems happy to ravage the land down to the bedrock, leaving literally nothing for future generations. That this man is considered worthy of the presidency is utterly horrifying.

JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

Re: 'New war debate' letter

The statement "If Israel strikes Iran, it will NOT be because of any nuclear threat. Follow the money!" is the purest nonsense you've ever printed.

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♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** When you take on a leadership role it becomes you — timidity doesn't. Don't be afraid or hesitant to assert yourself if and when conditions require you to do so.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Although you're normally a very gregarious and outgoing person, you do have your withdrawn moments. It's likely to be one of those days.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** As long as your hopes and expectations aren't based on a selfish premise, things will have a way of working out quite well for you. Sometimes it pays to yield to your own inclinations.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** If you're unobtrusive when going after a personal objective, things will work much better for you. Do what needs doing without using others to accomplish your aims.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** By not taking yourself or life too seriously, it could turn out to be a productive day for you. As you go about your duties, treat life philosophically and roll with the punches.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** It's an excellent time to get to the bottom of a matter of profound personal importance. Your abilities to probe, dig and detect are likely to be much sharper than usual.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** When you find yourself able to bounce ideas off people whose intelligence you respect, it could be especially rewarding and enlightening.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Because the dull and the ordinary tend to turn you off, try to focus on creative or imaginative projects as much as you can. You'll be proud of the productive results you get.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Your concern for the well being of others will be very apparent to everyone with whom you're involved. This facet of yours is what makes you so popular with your friends.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Nothing will give you more gratification than finishing what you start. It will be especially meaningful if it's something that you've wanted to get to for a long time.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Try to do what Kipling suggested many years ago: Dream, but don't make dreams your master; think, but don't make thoughts your aim. Use your mind for practical, productive purposes.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Interesting financial conditions surround you. There's a chance you might sell something you don't possess, but have in inventory and can easily get your hands on.

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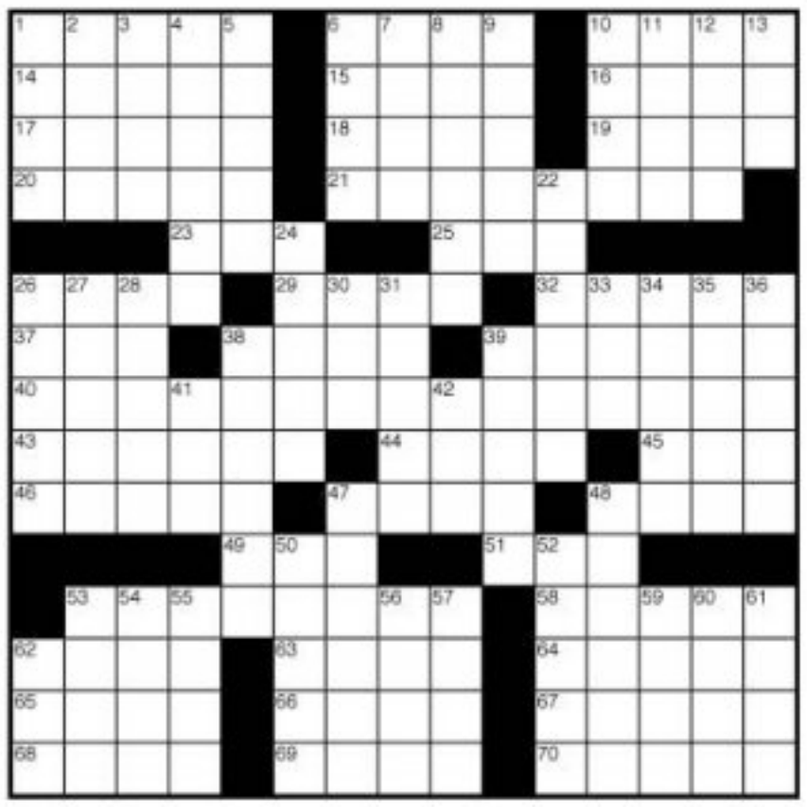

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40 Can't miss (4 wds.)
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48 Smirk's kin
49 Moonbeam
51 Chromosome material
53 Bridge support
58 Eyed amorously
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After a self-imposed hiatus, British band got restless and got back to work ◆ With latest album, they let their fans choose which songs they wanted to get 'Medieval' with

DANNY NORTH

A NEW 'FUTURE' FOR KAISER CHIEFS

▶ From left: Nick "Peanut" Baines, Ricky Wilson, Nick Hodgson, Andrew White and Simon Rix are Kaiser Chiefs.

A change is definitely as good as a rest. That adage certainly applies to the Kaiser Chiefs. After releasing their third album, 2008's "Off With Their Heads," and undertaking the requisite globe-trotting tour to promote it, the band wanted off the radar for a while. So they declared they would take a year off and do absolutely nothing.

"We took time off, but a year was too long," keyboard player Nick "Peanut" Baines tells Metro. "We planned to take a break after our second album, but it didn't happen. So we said we'd take a year off and do nothing. But we kind of got restless."

But just declaring that the band was on hiatus cleared the decks of commitments and opened up creative brain space. After six months away from Kaiser Chiefs activity, song ideas developed and they devised a new way to deliver album four: "The Future Is Medieval." They decided to issue a fan-driven, interactive release and posted 20 songs online, allowing fans to choose not just their own album art, but their favorite 10 songs to create their own track listing, too.

"It was exciting as the idea evolved. It was like Christmas Eve, because we knew something exciting was going to happen," says Peanut. "It totally reinvigorated us as a band."

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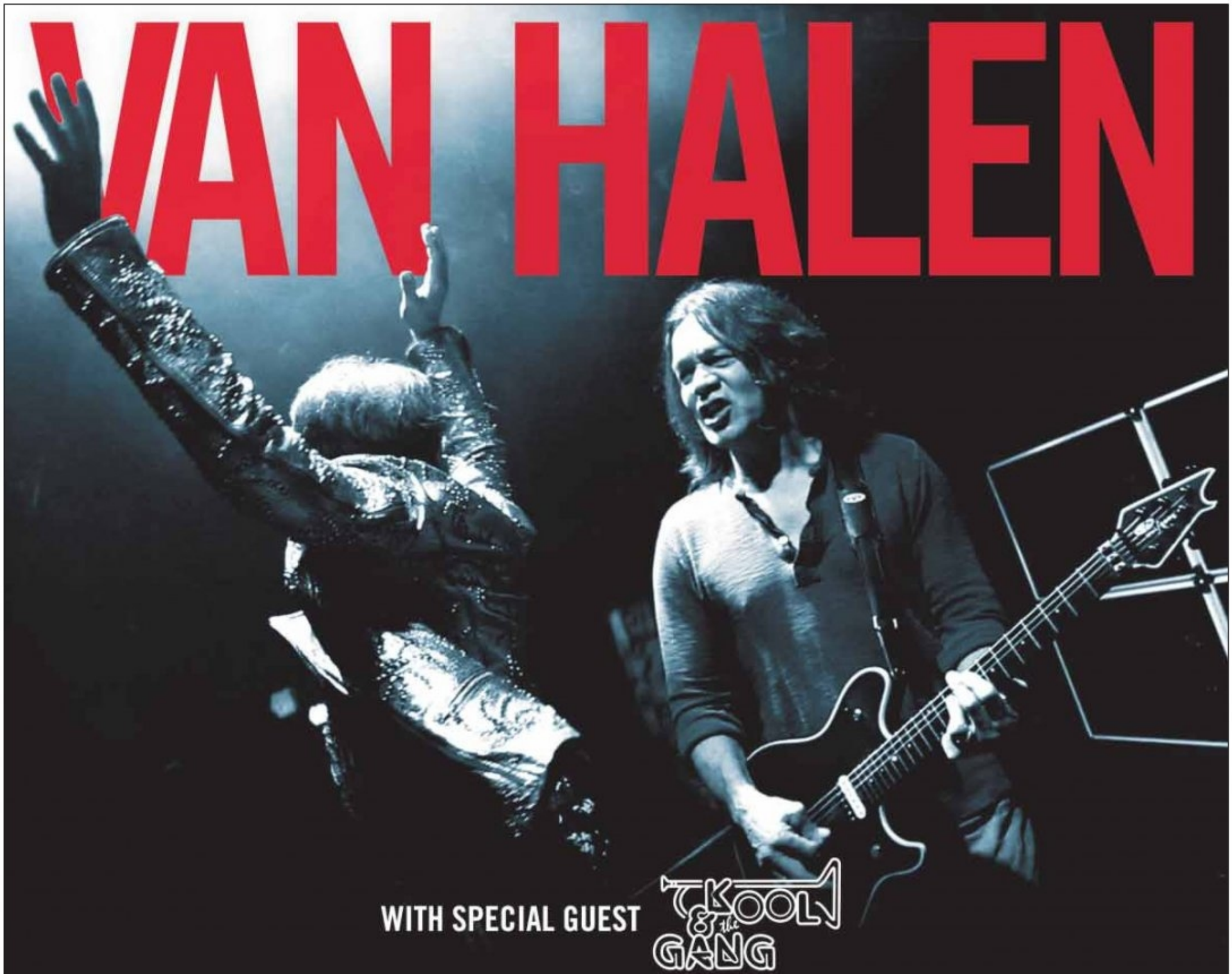

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Celts could wait it out

If plan is to build around Rondo, C's should target free agent class of 2013 Howard a pipe dream

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One year ago, there were many calling for the head of Celtics president of basketball operations Danny Ainge due to his seemingly nonstop desire to tinker with the C's roster.

The fan base didn't want change back then, but Ainge still pulled the trigger on the Kendrick Perkins-Jeff Green deal.

Today, with the Celtics reeling and Rajon Rondo trade rumors heating up, it seems that Ainge is ready to tinker again, and this time, the majority of fans actually want it to go down.

But is this the easiest route back to title contention?

If somehow Lakers GM Mitch Kupchak had his tall skinny cinnamon dolce latte spiked at Starbucks on March 14 (the day prior to the NBA trade deadline) and traded Pau Gasol straight up for Avery Bradley, it's still very doubtful that the Celtics would be able to beat the Heat, Bulls or Thunder this season.

The blow-it-up crowd will now clamor for the Celtics to possibly swap KG, Ray Allen, and/or Paul Pierce for "chips."

The quick-fix crowd will say, keep the gang together and try to lure Dwight Howard during this offseason. Now while Ainge's recruiting skills may be among the best in the league (see Garnett, Kevin), the chances of nabbing Howard solely on the premise that he'll get to play with a disgruntled point guard and a happy-go-lucky head coach are miniscule at best. There's also no evidence thus far that the Magic center's idea of fun is to take two-day vacations up to Sunday River.

Instead, the best route for Boston may be to simply stay relevant. Keep Rondo. Keep Pierce. Maybe invite Garnett and Allen back on short money.

The best route may be to wait it out and go after a second wave of free agents and build around Rondo.

With big market teams blowing big money this summer, the Celtics could very well bide their time.

A lot can happen between now and the summer of 2013, as some of these guys may be locked up between now and then. There will almost certainly be new big names that pop up in trade rumors.

But during this time of uncertainty, Ainge's best path back to glory may be to do what he enjoys least: waiting.

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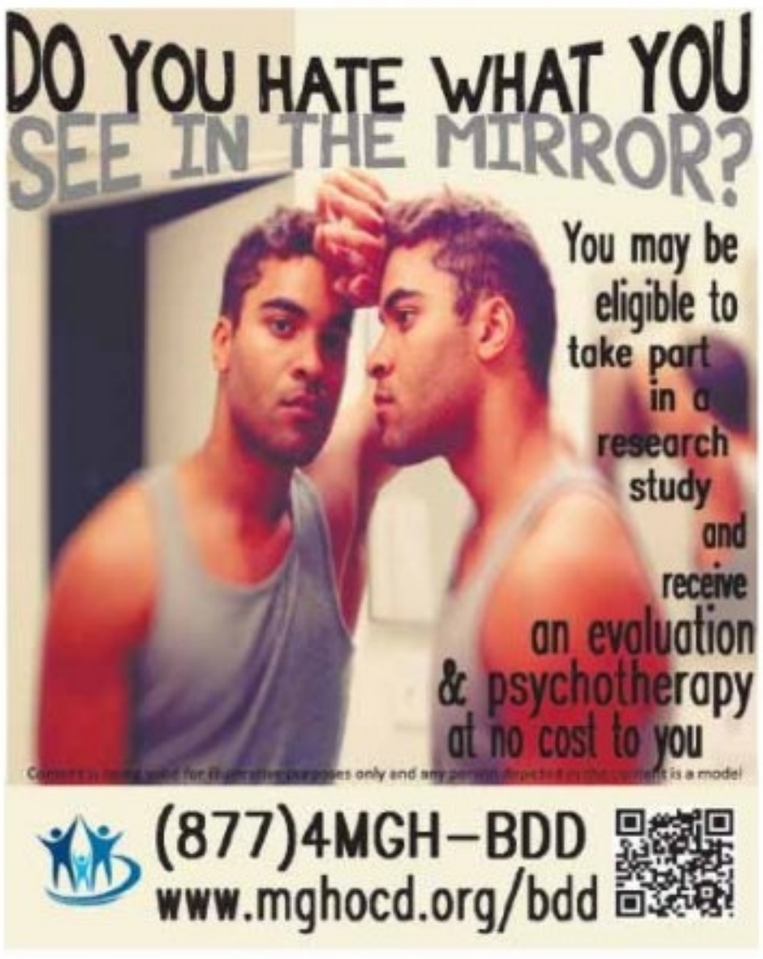
2013 free agents

Dwight Howard is a pipe dream as a 2012 free agent. These secondary stars could be available to pair with Rondo, if the C's wait:

- **Al Jefferson** The Utah forward with the sweet post moves liked playing under Doc Rivers prior to being the main chip in the KG trade.
- **Josh Smith** Atlanta's high-flyer went to the same high school as Rondo.
- **Andrew Bynum** The Lakers will likely re-sign him by then, but things change.
- **David West** The C's would be able to offer up much more cash this time around.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